

SHAWBURY PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL
ON TUESDAY OCTOBER 11TH. 2022 at 7.00pm.

Public Session:

There were no members of the public present

Present:

Mr. B. Lyon (Chairman).

Mr. A. Brown.

Mr. A. Foster.

Mr. M. Roberts.

Mrs. J. Herbert.

Mr. J. Vernon.

Mr. C. Kirkup.

Mr. R. Pinches.

Mr. P. Sharp.

Mr. J. Kennedy.

Mr. K. Pickering.

In Attendance:

Warrant Officer M. Lingham (RAF Shawbury).

The Parish Clerk.

22/85 Apologies:

Apologies were received from Shropshire Councillor S. Jones.

22/86 Disclosure of Personal or Prejudicial Interests.

No interests were declared.

22/87 Minutes of Meeting held on September 13th. 2022.

The minutes of the meeting having been circulated were approved and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

22/88 Matters Arising.

(a) Street Lights (22/75(a)).

The Clerk reported that there had been no further responses from Scottish Power or E.ON.

(b) Community Speed Watch 22/75(c).

It was noted that Mark Booth from the Safer Road Partnership had agreed to meet up with Nick Claxton on October 20th. to identify areas where checks could be carried out and plan details of a training session for the volunteers.

(c) Allotment (22/75d).

The Clerk reported that the transfer deal had been completed and the Council now had full responsibility for the site.

(d) Dog Waste on Parish Paths (22/75(e)).

Councillor M. Roberts reported that there had been no further contact from Shropshire Council and no notices had been erected.

Clerk to make further contact with the officer responsible for this project.

(e) Highways (22/79(bi)):

The Chairman and Clerk reported on a meeting held with Mr. Battson from Shropshire Council and Shropshire Councillor S. Jones when the main issues raising concern were visited and/or considered.

Mr. Battson promised to make efforts:

- (a) To get the white lining on the A53 replenished together with a yellow box at the traffic lights; a 'road crossing ahead' warning sign: and a replacement traffic light.

- (b) To liaise with Victoria Doran and the housing associations to get improvements to the road surfaces and footpaths in Church Close and Park Avenue.
- (c) To get action over the loose manhole covers.
- (d) To check the progress of issues reported to 'Fix My Street'.

He pointed out that he was aware of the problems with the roundabout but this was the responsibility of the company who had constructed it, as that and the estate had not yet been adopted.

The serious road surface at the traffic light area could not be resolved until Severn Trent agreed to deal with the underground drains at that site.

22/89 Correspondence.

Members considered the attached list of correspondence received by the Clerk since the last meeting and forwarded to Members, noting that where necessary appropriate actions had been taken or responses made.

22/90 Accounts for Payment and Financial Statement.

(a) Payment of the following accounts was approved:

Mr. J. Wilson	Salary (Oct.)	£622.67
Mr. J. Wilson	Expenses (Sept.)	£56.16
Inland Revenue	PAYE (Oct.)	£158.88
Mr. M. Varndell	Collection & disposal of litter (Sept.)	£450.00
Broxap Ltd	Equipment for repairs to Fitness Equipment	£268.80
Terry Jones (Solicitors)	Fee for arranging purchase of allotment	£480.00
Terry Jones (Solicitors)	Completion Statement	£981.00
Shawbury Village Hall	Rent for Council meetings (Oct 21- Sept. 22)	£155.50
Mr. D. Wood	Hosting Parish defibrillator.	£25.00

b) The financial statement for October was tabled and approved.

22/91 Burial Ground Fencing.

Councillor Mrs. J Herbert reported that the fence at the bottom end of the burial ground was in a very dilapidated state and suggested that it should be replaced by a metal fence, similar to the one already in place between the burial ground and the playing field.

This was considered and approved by Members subject to the cost involved and Councillor P. Sharp offered to seek quotations for the work.

22/92 Recreation Ground Name.

Councillor A. Brown stated that there had always been confusion about the name of the playing field/recreation ground and felt there was a need to give the whole area an official title and proposed it would be an opportune time to call it Queens Park in recognition of the long service of the late Queen Elizabeth 11. There was support for the proposal but it was felt that a good deal of work was needed before a decision could be made.

The Clerk was asked to contact the Diocese and the Lord Lieutenant for Shropshire to seek their views and the protocol involved and then discuss it further at the next meeting.

22/93 Sports Ground Development.

A request had been made from the football club for payment of the promised grant of £36,000.00 for the development of junior football pitches and Councillor C. Kirkup was invited to give a report on the current situation. He responded by stating that the ground had been prepared and the seed sown with further work planned and that there would be five junior pitches. However he could not confirm that the owner of the land had removed the clause stating that the lease would be cancelled unless certain work was completed by stated dates and that there was sufficient money available for all these developments. Members stated that they could not pass on the grant without these guarantees because if the lease was withdrawn this would mean the loss of all the grant money.

Members asked that at the next meeting they should see a letter from the owner's solicitors stating that there would be no withdrawal of the lease and a copy of the latest audited accounts.

22/94 Exchange of Information.(a) Agenda Items for next meeting.

No additional items raised.

(b) Issues Needing Urgent Attention:(i) Highways

No further issues raised

(ii) Streetlights:

No reports tabled.

(iii). Other Reports.Moat and Glebe

Councillor P. Sharp gave a detailed report on work that had been carried out clearing the drains on the Glebe, which had been approved at the last meeting and he thanked those Members who had joined him on a tour of the site. The work had gone well and the drains were running freely again but unfortunately there was already signs of debris accumulating in the drains and he requested a budget to cover one day's work every six months to ensure that the drains were continually cleaned. This was unanimously approved by Members.

Members also approved a budget for two days work clearing weed and grass growth in areas where mechanical access was not possible.

Picnic Table:

Councillor Mrs. Herbert raised concerns about the state of one of the picnic tables where the surface had been badly damaged. It was agreed that Councillor Sharp should ask JST if it would be possible to replace it with a metal top and if so, to provide a quotation for the work.

Community Environment Project:

It was noted that there was £3,000.00 in this budget and following the excellent work carried out by JST last year it was agreed that arrangements should be made to continue with work on other paths.

Burial Ground:

Councillor K. Pickering suggested that as the wooden edges to the pathways were rotting away they should be removed and replaced with suitable concrete edging stones, which would further enhance the site. There would be no charge for labour. The project was approved.

22/95 Reports from:**(a) Police:**Incidents recorded in July:

Violence – 5 (Wytheford Road, Carradine Close, A53, Glebelands and Church Close).

Theft -2 (Glebelands, Parking Avenue).

Burglary -1 (Muckleton Road).

Vehicle Crime – 1(Little Wytheford).

Incidents recorded in August:

Violence -3 (Wytheford Road, Glebelands, Poynton Road).

Vehicle Crime – 2 (Muckleton, A53)

Theft – 1 (The Paddocks).

Anti-Social Behaviour -1 (Aries Drive).

Other –1 (A53).

(b) RAF Shawbury:

Warrant Officer Matt Lingham thanked Members for their congratulations on his recent promotion and reported that:

(a) The base was still looking for suitable projects which trainees could assist with.

(b) Night flying would be commencing on 17th. October and continue until 2nd. December.

(c) The annual Christmas lunch was being held on Wednesday 7th. December and residents over the age of 75 could book a place by calling the Community Support Team on 01939 250351 Ext. 7206. Places would only be available for those who book a place.

(c) Shropshire Council:

Shropshire Councillor S. Jones had forwarded a written report stating:

(a) He had attended a successful meeting with the Parish Council Chairman, the Clerk and the Highways Portfolio Holder on Monday 26th Sept 2022 when they had walked the village discussing various highways issues and these were either confirmed as already reported to Fix My Street or were added.

(b) On behalf of Shropshire Council WSP are assessing road safety on the A53 between Shawbury and Edgebolton and in particular at the junction to the Mytton Estate.

(c) He continued by giving details of The Shropshire Plan launched on 11th. October; The Shropshire Local Plan and Local Bus services

A full copy of his report is attached.

22/96 Planning Applications:

A. The following applications had been received and were considered with no objections raised to any of them:

1. The Old School, Shawbury –remedial work on a sycamore tree protected by a Shropshire Council tree protection order (22/04086/TPO)
2. 33, Bridgeway, Shawbury –erection of a single storey extension to the front of the property and a car port to side over existing drive (22/04408/FUL) - re-submission.
3. The Conifers 127, Shrewsbury Road – Demolition of existing garage and replace with new garage, together with proposed extension, alterations and ancillary works (22/03981/FUL).

22/97 Committee and Other Reports.

No reports tabled.

22/98 Press Matters.

Clerk to produce a brief report.

22/99 Date of Next Council Meeting:

Tuesday, November 8th. 2022.

Approved as a true record of the Meeting.

Signed: *B. Lyon* (Chairman) Date: *November 8th. 2022*

CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED SINCE SEPTEMBER MEETING:

Dianne Dorrell – Cost of Living Briefing Session.*

NALC – CEO’s Bulletin.*

Shropshire Council - Hadnall A49 closure October 17 -21

Dianne Dorrell – Report on holiday activities run by Shropshire Council.*

Dianne Dorrell – Shropshire Goes Green event.*

Martin Fox – Listed property.

NALC – CEO’s Bulletin.*

Parish Newsletter.*

Dianne Dorrell – Warm Hubs.*

Claire Crackett – Lieutenancy Newsletter.*

John Campion – PCC Newsletter.*

ALC – SALC’s AGM.*

Appeals -2

Vice-Chairman – Item for Council agenda.*

Dianne Dorrell – ALC CEO’s Bulletin.*

Dianne Dorrell – News in Brief.*
Jon Dale – request for transfer of funds.*
Head (St. Mary’s Shawbury) – possible grant.
Vice Chairman – Police report.*
West Mercia Police – Fraud Advice.*
Cllr. P. Sharp – information re. work in Glebe area.*
Hannah Thomas – Ask about Asthma.*
Shrewsbury and Telford Hospital Trust – Newsletter.*
Inspector Claire Greenaway – Traffic Light problems.*
Kathy Skelton – A53 safety concerns.*

REPORT TO SHAWBURY PARISH COUNCIL 11th OCT 2022

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On behalf of Shropshire Council WSP are assessing road safety on the A53 between Shawbury and Edgebolton and in particular at the junction to the Mytton Estate.

Could I ask the Parish Council to confirm to me any concerns that you have at this location.

The Shropshire Plan is/was launched on Tuesday 11th Oct 2022 at Theatre Severn at 2.00pm

The Shropshire Plan is the overarching strategic plan for the council, providing a single point where the key components that set our direction of travel for the coming years can be found and accessed. It's made up of four key sections: the strategic plan, the associated delivery plans, the council's performance management framework (PMF), and the financial strategy to support our 4 priorities:

Healthy People
Healthy Economy
Healthy Environment
& Healthy Organisation

(Not to be confused with)

The Shropshire Local Plan 2016 – 2038

Local planning authorities, such as Shropshire Council, have a statutory responsibility to maintain an up-to-date Local Plan, and national policy indicates that Local Plans should be regularly reviewed, with the expectation this is done at least every five years. This Local Plan Review therefore responds positively to this requirement. Shropshire Council is at an advanced stage of a Local Plan Review and is currently responding to the Inspectors questions.

Local Bus Services

Following the failed BSIP bid Shropshire Council has put in a LUF 2 Bid (Levelling Up Fund) for a county wide demand led bus service and we are awaiting the outcome of this bid, we are expecting to hear in early to mid-October.

Simon Jones